REMARKS

Claims 11 to 23 and 27 to 34 have been allowed.

Applicants have corrected the dependency of Claim 18 to refer to Claim 14 rather than Claim 15 in order for Claim 18 to comply with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.75(b). Correction of the dependency of Claim 18 does not alter the subject matter of the claims. Since the claimed subject matter has not been altered no additional examination on the merits is required.

It is respectfully requested that the Primary Examiner recommend, and the Commissioner approve, entering of the amendment without withdrawal of the Application from issue.

Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including Extension of Time fees to Deposit Account No. 11.0345. Please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

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Encl.: THE AMENDED CLAIMS (Appendix I)

THE CHANGES TO THE CLAIMS (Appendix II)

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